

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL  
OF  
EAST & WEST MOLESEY.

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR

1898.

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## Urban District Council of East & West Molesey.

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Area in Acres	...	...	1,518.
Population (last census)	...		5,396.
Population (estimated to middle of 1898.)	...	...	6,310.
Death Rate	...	12·9 per 1,000.	
Birth Rate	...	25·5 „ „	
Zymotic Death - rate (Notifiable Diseases)	...	·5 per 1,000.	
Infantile Mortality	142·8 per 1,000 Births Registered.		

# Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for 1898.

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EAST MOLESEY,

SURREY,

January, 1899.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE  
EAST & WEST MOLESEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present to you the  
Annual Report for the year ended December 31st,  
1898.

The area of the district is 1,444 acres of land  
and 74 of water. The population at the last census  
was 5,396, and is estimated to have been 6,310 at  
the middle of the year.

## MORTALITY.

Number of Deaths in 1896	...	...	60
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„	„	„ 1898	...	...	82
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The number of deaths in the District was 82 : 71 in East Molesey and 11 in West Molesey. The death-rate was 12·9 per 1,000 of the population. Twenty deaths occurred in persons upwards of 65 years of age, and 23 in infants under one year.

There were 3 deaths from notifiable Infectious Diseases, viz.: Diphtheria 1, Membranous Croup 2—a zymotic mortality of ·5 per 1,000 : but if the usually regarded less serious infectious diseases be included, it is 2·5 per 1,000, as there were 9 deaths referred to Measles, 2 to Whooping Cough, and 2 to Diarrhœa. The large number of deaths from Measles, often considered such a trivial disease, should impress upon parents and those having custody of the young, the great importance of careful nursing and the prevention of chill, as most of the deaths took place from the sequelæ of the disease, such as Bronchitis and Pneumonia.

Of the other deaths, 5 were referred to Influenza and its complications, 3 to Phthisis, 8 to Bronchitis, Pneumonia and Pleurisy, 1 to Rheumatic Fever, 5 to Heart Disease, 2 to Injuries, and 42 to all other diseases.

Five Inquests were held during the year, death in 2 cases being due to accident and 3 to Natural Causes.

#### BIRTHS.

Number of Births 1896	..	...	151
„ „ 1897	. . .	...	137
„ „ 1898	..	...	161

During the year there were 161 births, comprising 86 males and 75 females. The birth-rate was 25·5 per 1,000 of the population. There were twice as many births as deaths in the district.

#### INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

During the year 26 cases of Infectious Disease were notified, viz: Scarlet Fever 6, Diphtheria 15, Membranous Croup 2, Typhoid Fever 2, and Erysipelas 1. In the previous two years the numbers notified were 20 and 34 respectively. Although 15 cases of Diphtheria were notified, the disease was never epidemic, but occurred as follows: February 3 cases, March 2, April 2, May 1, July 2, September 1, October 1, November 3. In some instances a defect in the drainage of the patient's residence was discovered and remedied. Only 2 deaths were certified as due to diphtheria, a mortality of 13·3 per 100 cases. In the Spring the Schools at both East and West Molesey were closed for some weeks owing to an outbreak of Measles.

#### SEWERAGE.

There are now 927 houses connected to the main sewers, 107 being done during the past year; amongst the number are the two public schools in East Molesey Ward. The working of the entire scheme is eminently satisfactory, and the comfort and health of your District must be materially improved when the whole of the connections are completed.

#### SLAUGHTER-HOUSES, &c.

The Slaughter-Houses, Dairies and Bake-houses have been regularly inspected throughout

the year, and they are now in a satisfactory condition.

Tables A and B of the Local Government Board accompany this report; also a summary of Inspections made, and work done by Mr. Stevenson, the Sanitary Inspector.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

J. E. KNOX,

M.B., C.M.



THE SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1898.

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**EAST AND WEST MOLESEY.**

Number of premises inspected under Section 92 of the Public Health Act, 1875. ...	94
Number of Nuisances discovered ... ..	42
Number of Nuisances remedied without being reported to the Sanitary Authority...	21
Number of Nuisances reported to the Sanitary Authority .. . . . .	21
Number of Nuisances remedied after report	14
Number of Nuisances reported to Sanitary Authority, but yet remaining to be remedied, December 31st, 1898 ... ..	7
Number of statutory Notices served by the Inspector of Nuisances for the abatement of Nuisances ... ..	8
Number of Houses disinfected after infectious disease .. . . . .	15

**EAST MOLESEY.**

Total number of Houses connected to the New Main Sewers up to and including December 31st, 1898 ... ..	927
Number of Houses connected to the New Main Sewers during the year 1898 ..	107

**WEST MOLESEY.**

Number of Houses connected to the New Main Sewers during the year 1898 ...	2
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(Signed) JNO. STEVENSON,

SANITARY INSPECTOR.

January 21st, 1899.

## A

## according to Diseases, Ages and Localities.

The subjoined numbers have also to be taken into account in judging of the above records of mortality.

Deaths occurring outside the district among persons belonging thereto.	Deaths occurring within the district among persons not belonging thereto.
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AREA AND POPULATION OF THE DISTRICT OR  
DIVISION TO WHICH THIS RETURN RELATES.

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Area in Acres 1,518. Population (1891) 5,396.  
Population (Estimated to middle of 1898) 6,310.

DEATH RATES.

General 12·9 per 1,000 Population, estimated  
to middle of 1898.

Infant (under one year of age) 142·8 per  
1,000 Births Registered.

TABLE OF POPULATION, BIRTHS, AND OF NEW CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS, coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health, during the year 1898, in the EAST AND WEST  
**B** MOLESEY Urban District, classified according to Diseases, Ages and Localities.

NAME OF LOCALITY.	Popula- tion at all Ages.		Registered Births.	Aged under 5 or over 5	New Cases of Sickness coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health.										Number of such Cases removed from their Homes for Treatment in Isolation Hospital.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																													
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State here whether “ Notification of Infectious Disease ” is compulsory in the District. — Yes. Since when ? — 1890.